

# **Education and Workforce Development Cabinet**

## **Jobless rates down in 119 counties in November 2014**

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FRANKFORT, Ky. (Dec. 23, 2014) – Unemployment rates fell in 119 Kentucky counties between November 2013 and November 2014, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Boone and Woodford counties recorded the lowest jobless rates in the Commonwealth at 4.5 percent each. It was followed by Madison and Owen counties, 4.7 percent each; and Daviess, Fayette, Franklin, Jessamine, Oldham, Scott, Simpson and Warren counties, 4.8 percent each.

Jackson County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate – 12.3 percent. It was followed by Magoffin County, 11.6 percent; Letcher County, 11.2 percent; Harlan County, 10.9 percent; Russell County, 10.5 percent; Leslie County, 10.3 percent; Knott County, 9.7 percent; Bell County, 9.5 percent; McCreary County, 9.4 percent; and Clay County, 9.3 percent.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted because of the small sample size for each county. The data should only be compared to the same month in previous years.

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